

STATE OF MAINE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2000-41

March 17, 2000

CfL, Inc.  
Request to Abandon Service

ORDER GRANTING  
REQUEST TO ABANDON  
SERVICE

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

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On December 6, 1999, CfL, Inc. (CfL), filed a request to abandon service pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1104(1). In support of its request, CfL states that it provides only prepaid long distance services, and that Intellicall Operator Services, Inc. d/b/a/ ILD, which is an affiliated company of CfL and is authorized to provide service in Maine, will "assume full responsibility to meet all obligations for unexpired prepaid long distance cards issued by CfL," and "will honor the full value of all accounts with outstanding balances on the same rates, terms and conditions under which such prepaid long distance cards were originally purchased by consumers from CfL and or its agents." CFL obtained approval to provide service in Docket No. 97-241. Intellicall obtained approval to provide service in Docket No. 97-318.

Since there are a large number of competitive telephone utilities available to provide interexchange telephone service, the request to abandon service is granted.

Section 1104 allows the Commission to impose reasonable conditions or requirements on the abandonment of service. Normally, we require either the abandoning carrier or the assuming carrier to provide notice to its customers of the abandonment and transfer. Such notice is undoubtedly impractical in the case of prepaid calling cards. Accordingly, we instead will condition the approval of abandonment on Intellicall d/b/a ILD fulfilling the commitment described above.

Dated at Augusta, Maine this 17th day of March, 2000.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

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Dennis L. Keschl  
Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR:      Welch  
   Nugent  
   Diamond

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